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ANNUAL REPORT

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HAMILTON, MASS.

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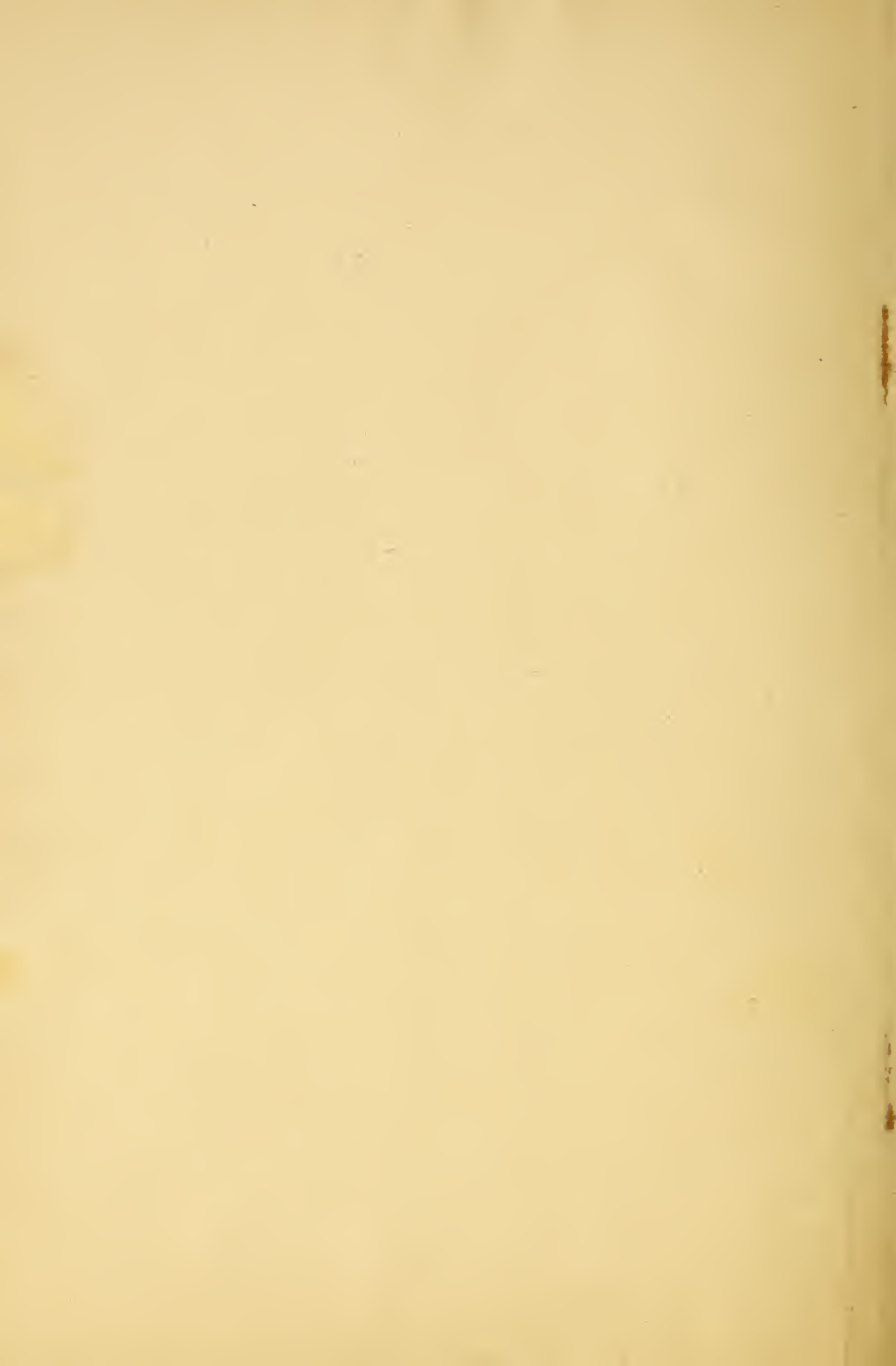
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*Town Clerk—*OTIS F. BROWN.

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health—

ISAAC KNOWLTON GEO. H. GIBNEY GEO. E. SAFFORD

*Treasurer—*DANIEL E. SAFFORD

School Committee—

GEO. K. KNOWLTON

JESSE G. NICHOLS

ALBERT L. WHIPPLE

*Collector of Taxes—*CHAS. W. APPLETON

*Auditor—*ALBERT D. FOSTER

Constables—

DANIEL D. STONE

CHAS. E. WHIPPLE

ALDEN J. CHANDLER

CHAS. H. SMITH

WILLIAM C. WALLACE

*Tree Warden—*OTIS F. BROWN

*Keeper of Lockup—*EDWIN L. MORSE

Trustees of Public Library—

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER

JESSE G. NICHOLS

GEO. v L. MEYER

ANNUAL REPORT.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in Treasury March 14, 1900	\$5,521 19
Receipts from Commonwealth of Mass., Cor-	
poration Tax	5,679 64
National Bank Tax	756 56
State Aid reimbursed	382 50
Military Aid reimbursed	18 00
Street Railray tax	791 51
Mass. School fund	328 58
State Highway Loan fund	5,090 96
Loans from Ipswich Savings Band, in antici-	
pation of taxes	9000 00
Liquor license fee	1000 00
Rent for Town Hall	77 00
Dog licenses returned	238 74
Sale of school books, etc.	2 40
Collector of Taxes, for 1899	226 85
1900	16,399 66
Hay scales, Central District	4 25
Damage to windows, etc.	3 69
Sale of burial lots	20 00
Druggist's license	1 00
Rebate from Boston & Maine R. R. on	
scholars tickets	7 32
Received from Chas. L. Gwinn, for use of	
steam roller	20 00
Virtualler's license	7 00
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	\$45,576 85

PAYMENTS.

Paid on principal of Town Hall and Schoolhouse loan	\$2,150 00
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Paid on interest on said loan	1,045 00
loan in anticipation of taxes	9,000 00
interest on said loan	186 46
commonwealth on account error in	
Corporation Tax	116 58
1-4 druggist's license fee	27
1-4 liquor " "	250 00
County tax	1,569 13
State "	975 00
charge for back returns	7 00
constable's fees	13 46
public library appropriation	400 00
school warrants	5,779 20
State Aid	398 00
Military Aid	72 00
orders of selectmen	15,689 43
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	\$37,651 53

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE, SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Paid Charles E. Whipple	\$1,331 70
Edward Comeau	102 20
Adrian Therieau	35 10
Jerry Hawkins	3 60
Tennie Robichau	45 00
Forest L. Knowlton	77 40
Edward Robichau	9 90
O. F. Brown	63 90
Geo. D. Babcock	83 80
B. Tebeau	46 80
Phillip Melanson	12 60
J. McGassie	59 40
G. H. Gibney	32 40
Frank Grant	31 50
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Amount carried forward

\$1,935 30

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$1,935 30
O. F. Whipple	43 85
Fred Goochee	52 20
John Hines	48 60
B. Garland	10 80
Wm. Taylor	36 25
Penvy Benvee	86 00
J. C. Underhill	86 40
Fred Berry	48 60
A. D. Wallace	110 80
Patrick Curran	79 40
Joseph Shoop	9 00
Chas. Manning	5 40
A. E. Whipple	22 00
J. A. Whipple	152 10
Patrick O'Donnell	21 60
J. Murier	13 00
C. S. Gwinn	61 20
J. Donnelly	9 90
Fred Barnes	20 00
Wm. Channell	16 20
Emery Lawrence	50 80
E. A. Whipple	147 20
L. Russell	5 40
C. Loadrin	8 10
J. Doyle	5 40
D. Allen	10 80
Joseph Knowlton	5 60
A. Seeley	31 60
T. McMahon	18 00
C. W. Ingalls	38 80
H. Randall	9 00
James Pitman	38 80
H. Morgan,	10 80

Amount carried forward

\$3,248 90

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	3,248 90
P. Therieau	47 80
Isaac F. Knowlton	94 50
Geo. Chase	39 60
E. D. Lovett	62 00
J. Lamson	62 00
Charles Rogers	16 20
James A. Tucker	11 60
G. M. Adams	43 20
Wm. Messervy	24 00
Wm. H. Dodge	48 70
Foster Tappan	17 00
Henry A. Carey	10 80
Alvin Smith	46 40
B. E. Dodge	15 00
H E. Dodge	6 60
Francis Dodge	6 60
Charles Perkins	13 00
Wm. Smith	6 24
J. A. Tucker	27 70
A. A. Whipple	12 50
I. D. Patch	7 00
D. D. Stone	2 00
J. C. Underhill	25 00
S. E. McGlauflin	23 00
A. E. Potter	16 33
S. E. McGlauflin, coal	5 95
Theodore Cogswell, drain pipe	9 82
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies	4 10
Geo. Brown	5 00

\$3,957 54

Less 10c error on Order No. 57 10

\$3,957 44

EXTRA APPROPRIATION ON HIGHWAYS AND SIDE-
WALKS.

SAGAMORE STREET.

Paid Chas. E. Whipple, contract	\$670 00	
extra labor	28 80	
Metcalf & Ashland, engineering	13 70	
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		\$712 50

Sidewalk, Main street : —

Paid Chas. E. Whipple	\$298 20	
Patrick Curran	16 00	
James Pitman	12 60	
Thomas McMahon	5 40	
Phillip Thaireau	12 60	
Forest L. Knowlton	9 00	
Edward Comeau	7 20	
Peny Benvee	7 20	
Chas. W. Ingalls	3 60	
George D. Babcock	6 30	
Alfred G. Melanson	1 80	
Allen R. Seeley	6 20	
Austin A. Whipple	8 60	
Otis F. Brown	3 10	
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		\$397 80

Drain on Railroad avenue ;—

Paid G.H. Gibney	\$57 60	
Geo. Hopkins	19 20	
F. Terrio	18 00	
Daniel Sheehan	16 20	
Peter Garrett	12 60	
Arthur Bishop	12 60	
Augustus Ingalls	10 00	
James Dunn	7 20	
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		\$153 40

Amount carried forward

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$153 40	
John Golden	1 50	
Wm. McGuire	7 80	
Samuel E. McGlaulin, stock and labor	169 83	
John Brown, bricks	7 00	
J. C. Underhill, cement	9 30	
Barbour, Stockwell & Co., catch basin covers	38 25	
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		\$387 08

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid C. E. Whipple	\$47 80	
J. F. Pope & Son, lumber	81 52	
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		\$129 32

REMOVING SNOW.

CHAS. E. WHIPPLE, SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Paid Chas. E. Whipple	\$129 40	
A. A. Dunnells	1 20	
Alvin Smith	14 80	
A. Anderson	11 10	
Wendall Dodge	4 20	
Lakeman Southwick	1 00	
H. E. Dodge	6 20	
B. E. Dodge	2 00	
A. D. Wallace	10 60	
John F. Tucker	11 30	
Forest E. Tappan	8 60	
Samuel Goodhue	8 70	
C. J. Kempt	2 40	
Geo. Holmes	6 80	
Geo. H. Gibney	15 25	
Samuel Hollingshead	1 60	
Fred Fisher	2 60	
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<i>Amount carried forward</i>		\$236 30

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$237 75
Paid Elmer Dodge	80
P. E. Saulnier	1 60
James Fisher	80
David Fisher	1 00
Fred Berry	3 60
Geo. Tewksbury	1 00
John Cox	7 20
E. Berry	90
Newell Burnham	3 00
Joseph Knowlton	1 60
Frank Marshall	1 80
G. E. Knowlton	1 80
Emery Lawrence	16 00
A. F. Lougee	9 40
Isaac F. Knowlton	11 20
Arthur Bishop	5 70
D. Bordeau	2 40
John Wright	6 80
John Melanson	2 60
Joseph F. Lynch	80
Leonard Fisher	30
Chas. S. Gwinn	68 60
Chas. Rogers	10 60
Wm. C. Wallace	3 50
J. Broghel	2 40
Leroy Dodge	10 15
E. D. Lovett	26 20
C. A. Hobbs	80
Fred Carroll	4 60
Wm. Smith	7 90
Arthur Southwick	3 20
C. A. Kinsman	2 80
A. Seeley	2 80

Amount carried forward

\$461 60

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$461 60
Paid Edgar Pitman	35
Ephraim Pitman	1 30
Ernest Pitman	1 80
Jas. Pitman	2 60
Jos. Pitman	5 20
Joseph Pitman, Jr.	2 40
Albert Pitman	2 00
Joseph A. Tucker	4 20
John Burchstead	3 70
Edward Stone	1 60
Orrin P. Thompson	1 20
Lyman Poor	2 80
James Morgan	2 60
Jas. Westerland	2 60
Wm. C. Jameson	1 80
Frank Whipple	4 00
Geo. Webber	4 00
Wallace Knowlton	1 05
Douglas Knowlton	1 05
Mrs. J. H. Knowlton	1 60
Chas. Ingalls	1 60
Emerson A. Whipple	6 20
Jerry Hawkins	5 40
Patrick Curran	5 40
Charles Morgan	5 40
Harry Morgan	5 40
Forest L. Knowlton	5 40
Philip Melanson	5 40
Allen Seeley	5 40
Samuel E. McGlaulin	6 20
Peter Garrett	1 60
Michael Poland	1 60
Chas. H. Smith	7 00

Amount carried forward

\$571 45

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$571 45	
Paid Frank Dane	26 30	
Wm. Tuttle	9 40	
George Bridges	2 70	
Leverett Durkee	1 20	
Wm. J. Cummings	1 40	
Benj. J. Smith	7 15	
Fred P. Kilham	7 00	
Frank McGregor	5 40	
Henry Carey	5 40	
B. B. Emerson	40	
Jona Lamson	9 50	
J. C. Underhill	3 20	
Francis C. Dodge	5 00	
Chas. S. Smith	4 00	
Cornelius Mullen	60	
Thos. Burns	60	
Edward McGregor	5 10	
Robert G. Sawyer	9 10	
Henry Rogers	3 80	
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STATE HIGHWAY.

Layout of 1899:—

Paid Geo. H. Gibney, pay roll	\$324 97	
S. E. McGlauflin, balance on stone	122 97	
City of Beverly, iron pipe	45 00	
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Layout of 1800:—

Paid S. E. McGlauflin, as per contract	\$4,854 06
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SOLDIER'S RELIEF.

Paid City of Beverly, aid Kate Andrews	\$114 46	
Dr. S. E. Thayer, medical attendance to Richard Bridges	9 00	
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LIQUOR COMMITTEE.

Paid Daniel D. Stone	\$10 00
Chas. E. Whipple	10 00
Chas. H. Smith	10 00

 \$30 00

POOR DEPARTMENT.

Paid Caleb W. Dodge, board of Porter children	\$208 00
Caleb W. Dodge, board of Joseph Bridge's children	208 00
Caleb W. Dodge, extra care of Bridges children	6 00
Chas. A. Hobbs, board of E. Trussell	182 00
Wm. Crosby, clothing for Poor Dept.	13 37
F. A. Smith, " " " "	96 50
Frank Dane, board of Alvin Jowder	50 00
S. C. Gould, groceries Dow family	4 29
" B. Emerson	3 00
Harry K. Dodge, groceries for Almond Bridges	20 48
Henry P. Boynton, rent for Almond Bridges	10 00
J. W. Brown, groceries for Joseph Bridges	8 00
Dr. Geo. E. McArthur, medical attendance Almond Bridges family	19 00
T. B. Fall & Son, coal for J. Bridges family	4 20
Geo. E. Safford, wood for J. & A. Bridges	2 00
John Sauer, coal for B. Emerson	3 50
Sarah B. Dodge, assistance	76 00
Dr. S. E. Thayer, medical attendance to traveller	3 00
Emerson A. Whipple, care of tramps	90 00

 \$1,007 34

STEAM ROLLER HOUSE.

Paid C. E. Peterson, on account contract	\$300 00
S. E. McGlauflin, as per contract	74 00
E. B. Balcomb, architect	10 00
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	\$384 00

FIGHTING FIRES.

Paid S. E. McGlauflin	\$8 20
Fred Berry	4 60
Albert Allen	60
Harold Dodge	60
John Hinkley	1 20
Joseph A. Tucker	60
Chas. Ingalls	1 10
F. C. Norton, supplies	15 00
Allen Dickson	1 20
Asa H. Jewett	80
Chas. Dickson	1 20
Roy Whipple	60
Oscar F. Whipple	60
Chas. A. Hill	1 20
E. P. Dodge	1 20
Fred Kilham	1 00
Chas. E. Whipple	5 00
Geo. K. Knowlton	1 60
Albert Dodge	2 00
Enoch Knowlton	1 50
J. A. Haraden	1 20
Chas. S. Winn	7 50
Geo. H. Gibney	4 70
Joseph Pitman	80
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	\$64 00

PAINTING TOWN HALL.

Paid Albert T. Pool, on acct.	\$70 00
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid H. E. Andrews, chemicals	\$32 10
J. C. Underhill, coal	18 25
A. C. Cummings, teams	22 50
S. C. Gould, supplies	2 05
Chas. R. Holmes, painting	1 90
C. A. Hills, painting	7 15
Owen E. McQueeney, supplies	2 50
Cornelius Callahan, repairing extinguishers	2 75
Hamilton Hardware Co., supplies	7 25
T. E. McGlaulin, janitor	25 00

\$121 45

TOWN HALL EXPENSES.

Paid Edward L. Morse, janitor	\$265 00
J. C. Underhill, coal	126 77
The Pickett Coal Co., coal	66 76
F. C. Norton, supplies	33 19
Frank P. Trussell, labor	6 55
Isaac F. Knowlton, wood	6 00
fertilizer	10 00
C. E. Whipple, manure	21 00

\$535 27

SALARIES AND FEES.

Paid E. C. Tibbetts, care of cemetery	\$48 05
Chas. R. Holmes, services as teller	2 50
Alden J. Chandler, " " constable	19 00
Daniel D. Stone, " " "	38 00
" " " " election	
officer	5 00

Amount carried forward

\$112 55

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$112 55
Paid Daniel D. Stone, services as dog constable	25 00
Chas. E. Whipple, " " " "	16 00
election	
officer	5 00
Chas. H. Smith, services as constable	5 00
C. A. Smerage, " " police officer	23 50
Geo. R. Dodge, " " inspector	
animals and provisions	13 90
Chas. A. Hills, services as election officer	5 00
Addison B. Towle, " " " "	5 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, " " selectman	50 00
assessor	60 00
overseer of poor	25 00
com. on streets	25 00
board of health	15 00
registrar of	
voters	12 50
Isaac F. Knowlton, services as election	
officer	5 00
Geo. E. Safford, services as selectman	50 00
assessor	60 00
overseer of	
poor	25 00
Geo. E. Safford, services as com. on	
streets	25 00
Geo. E. Safford, services as board of	
health	15 00
Geo. E. Safford, services as registrar	
of voters	12 50
Geo. E. Safford, services as election	
officer	5 00
Geo. H. Gibney, services as selectman	50 00
assessor	60 00
overseer of	
poor	25 00

Amount carried forward

\$730 95

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$730 95
Paid Geo. H. Gibney, services as com. on streets	25 00
Geo. H. Gibney, services as board of health	15 00
Geo. H. Gibney, services as registrar of voters	12 50
Geo. H. Gibney, services as election officer	5 00
Daniel E. Safford, services as treasurer	100 00
Chas. W. Appleton, services as election officer	5 00
Otis F. Brown, services as town clerk	25 00
“ registrar of voters	12 50
Otis F. Brown, services as tree warden	9 00
Geo. K. Knowlton, services as school committee	75 00
Albert L. Whipple, services as school committee	50 00
Jesse G. Nichols, services as school committee	50 00
Andrew Haraden, services as auditor, pro tem	10 00
Chas. W. Appleton, balance of salary for 1899	3 40
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	\$1,128 35

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid Forest L. Evans, counsel	\$10 00
E. W. Reynolds, printing	1 25
Frost & Wood, printing town reports	34 72
John L. Woodbury, Memorial Day appropriation	15 00

Amount carried forward

\$60 97

<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$60 97
American Express	6 05
Angie M. Adams, rent for hook & ladder house lot	15 00
Harris M. Dolbeare, printing.	76
Henry Troemner, weights and measures	44 35
Hermon Stratton & Son, weights & measures	20 00
Priest, Page & Co., weights and measures	12 50
Robert Robertson, plumbing	2 65
M. R. Warren & Co., collector's book	1 00
Grace C. Stone, services on town books	15 00
Burnham Job Print, printing	10 00
A. C. Cummings, carriage hire	5 75
Alden J. Chandler, posting warrant	1 00
A. C. Lunt, oil stove	13 00
Patrick Breshnehan, labor	1 00
J. Martin Striley, painting signs	6 00
Dr. S. E. Thayer, return of births vaccinations	7 75 17 00
Annie L. Woodbury, P. O. box rent and stamp	50
Wm. D. Chandler, care of clock	20 00
Chas. W. Appleton, stock and labor on clock	12 40
Chas. W. Appleton, printing tax bills	5 00
John F. Smith, return of deaths	3 75
Buffalo Pitts & Co., labor on roller	24 09
Chas. A. Claflin & Co., supplies for roller	9 52
Fred Fisher, labor on roller	3 60
Daniel E. Safford, postage	3 37
Ryder, Erickson Eng. Co., repairs on pump	3 50
Chas. E. Whipple, unloading roller freight on roller posting warrant	6 00 14 00 2 00

Amount carried forward

\$347 51

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$347 51
Daniel D. Stone, telegraph and telephone	3 00
Geo. H. Gibney, loading roller	6 00
seven journeys to Boston, acct. state highway	21 00
Geo. H. Gibney, three journeys to Boston, legislative hearings	9 00
Geo. H. Gibney, three journeys to Salem, acct. counsel	6 00
Geo. H. Gibney, journey to Cohasset, acct. water com.	3 00
Geo. H. Gibney, journey to Needham, acct. water com.	3 00
Geo. H. Gibney, journey to Manchester, acct. street lights	3 00
Geo. H. Gibney, journey to Lynn, acct. pauper	3 00
Geo. H. Gibney, perambulating town lines	7 50
Geo. H. Gibney, freight on bound stones	15 24
Geo. H. Gibney, copying town records	10 00
telegraph, telephone and postage	4 80
Isaac F. Knowlton, six journeys to Boston, acct. state highway	18 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Lynn, acct. pauper	3 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Newburyport, acct. pauper	3 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Haverhill, acct. pauper	3 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Amesbury, acct. pauper	3 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, perambulating town lines	7 50
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	<hr/> \$479 55

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$479 55
Isaac F. Knowlton, journey to Manchester, acct. street lights	3 00
Isaac F. Knowlton, paid postage	1 00
Geo. E. Safford, six journeys to Boston, acct. state highway	18 00
Geo. E. Safford, journey to Haverhill, acct. pauper	3 00
Geo. E. Safford, journey to Amesbury, acct. pauper	3 00
Geo. E. Safford, journey to Newburyport, acct. pauper	3 00
Geo. E. Safford, journey to Manchester, acct. street lights	3 00
Geo. E. Safford, perambulating town lines	7 50
postage and express	1 50
Geo. K. Knowlton, journey to Needham, acct. water com.	3 00
Geo. K. Knowlton, journey to Cohasset, acct. water com.	3 00
Otis F. Brown, return of Rep. vote	2 00
return of dog license	2 00
recording marriages	2 40
recording births	17 00
recording deaths	3 40
administering oaths	1 50
paid express	1 40
stationery and postage	2 00

\$560 25

ABATEMENTS.

TO CHAS. W. APPLETON, COLLECTOR 1899.

Amedia Perron, poll	\$2 00
Charles Mason, "	2 00

Amount carried forward

\$4 00

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$4 00
Heirs of Augustus Dodge, real	2 45
Addison P. Davis "	1 54
E. W. Getchell, personal	77
William Kelley, "	1 16
M. J. Marston "	1 54

\$11 46.

TO CHAS. W. APPLETON, COLLECTOR 1900.

Leon Arseno, poll	\$2 00
William J. Channell, poll	2 00
S. Horace Dane "	2 00
L. Harry Davis "	2 00
Warren B. Foster "	2 00
Frank Lord "	2 00
Michael Murphy "	2 00
Cyrus L. Nutter "	2 00
Amedia Perron "	2 00
William Rogers "	2 00
John Spittal "	2 00
B. B. Emerson "	2 00
Angeline A. Chadwick, personal	3 35
Ellis L. Duset "	1 39
Geo. K. Dodge, real	33
William Berry, personal	67
Addison P. Davis, real	1 34
E. W. Getchell, personal	67
William Kelley, "	67
M. J. Marston, "	1 34
Mrs. J. Mansfield, "	1 01
E. W. Sprague, "	54
Mrs. Wood "	2 35
J. P. Martin, real	34
E. H. Paine, personal	1 07
C. A. Leonard, "	1 16
S. H. Stilman "	1 16
S. A. Cassidy	2 68

\$44 01

 RECAPITULATION.

Paid Town Hall and Schoolhouse loan	\$2,150 00	
interest on said loan	1,045 00	
loan anticipation taxes	9,000 00	
interest on said loan	186 46	
Commonwealth on acct. of over pay-		
ment tax	116 58	
Commonwealth 1-4 druggist license fee	27	
" liquor license fee	250 00	
County tax	1,569 13	
State tax	975 00	
Commonwealth charges back returns	7 00	
constable fees	13 46	
Public Library appropriation	400 00	
school warrants	5,779 20	
State Aid	398 00	
Military Aid	72 00	
Highway Dept.	3,957 44	
roads and bridges	129 32	
removing snow	678 70	
extra appropriations	1,951 38	
state highway contract, 1899	492 94	
1900	4,854 06	
Poor Dept.	1,007 34	
Soldiers' Relief	123 46	
Fire Dept.	121 45	
Town Hall expenses	535 27	
liquor committee	30 00	
fighiing fires	64 00	
miscellaneous	560 25	
salaries and fees	1,128 35	
abatements	55 47	
		\$37,651 53
Treasurer's receipts	\$45,576 85	
payments	37,651 53	
Balance in treasury	\$7,925 32	

Due from collector of taxes for 1900	\$650 79
Total balance in favor of town	\$8,576 11
Town debt	\$25,050 00

The foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer have this day been examined by me and all accounts found correct and vouched for.

ANDREW HARADEN, Auditor pro tem.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,) Selectmen
 GEORGE H. GIBNEY,) of
 GEORGE E. SAFFORD,) Hamilton.

Hamilton, Feb. 26, 1901.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK FOR 1900.

Received and paid the Town Treasurer for sale of burial lots	\$20 00
Received and paid Town Treasurer for drug- gist's license	1 00
Received for dog licenses to December 1, 1900, and paid the County Treasurer	282 00
Recorded 16 marriages.	
Recorded 33 births.	
Recorded 17 deaths.	

Hamilton, Feb. 22, 1901

OTIS F. BROWN, Town Clerk.

ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Number of polls, 342	
Tax on each poll, \$2.00	
Value of personal estate	\$1,053,855 00
buildings	758,940 00
land	490,625 00
Total value of assessed estate	\$2,303,420 00
Street railway exercise tax	913 25
Total tax	17,050 45
Rate per thousand, \$6.70	

Number of horses	418
cows	320
neat cattle, other than cows	28
sheep	150
swine	80
fowls	3700
dwelling houses	775
acres of land	9,465
tax payers	1,031
" on property	891
" poll only	140

GEORGE E. SAFFORD,	} Assessors of Hamilton
GEORGE H. GIBNEY,	
ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,	

List of Jurors

PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN.

Fred Berry,
A. D. Wallace,
A. A. Whipple,
Caleb W. Dodge,
J. C. Underhill,
Frank R. Shaller,
Isaac F. Knowlton,
John L. Woodbury,

Alvin Smlth,
Frank Marshall,
Chas. H. Smith,
C. P. Roberts,
Chas. S. Gwinn,
Chas. W. Appleton,
Geo. R. Dodge,
Saml E. McGlaulin.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,	} <i>Selectmen</i> of <i>Hamilton.</i>
GEO. H. GIBNEY,	
GEO. E. SAFFORD,	

TOWN WARRANT.

Essex ss. To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton.

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton qualified to vote in the elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the twelfth day of March 1901, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all necessary Town officers for the year ensuing.

Art 3. To hear the report of the Town officers and act thereon.

Art. 4. Shall license be granted in the Town of Hamilton for the sale of intoxicating liquors for the year ensuing.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the purpose of observing Decoration Day by the soldiers of the rebellion.

Art. 6. To see what action the Town will take toward building a sidewalk on Railroad Ave., from Gould's store to Home street and about seventy feet on Home street, and appropriate money for the same as petitioned for by S. E. McGlaulin and others.

Art. 7. To see what action the Town will take toward building a sidewalk on Willow street, from the corner of Pleasant street to Linden street, and appropriate a sum of money for the same as petitioned for by A. L. Perley and others.

Art. 8. To see what action the Town will take to purchase two snow plows for clearing snow from the sidewalks and appropriate a sum of money for the same as petitioned for by S. E. Thayer and others.

Art. 9. To see what action the Town will take toward building a sidewalk on Asbury street from the front entrance of Asbury Grove, to the side entrance on the same street, as petitioned for by Geo. R. Dodge and others.

Art. 10. To see what action the Town will take toward watering the State highway during the dry weather, as petitioned for by F. C. Norton and others.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money under direction of the selectmen in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 12. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To appropriate money for repairs of highways, Townways and bridges and all other Town expenses, and to determine the manner of expending the same.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will authorize its Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed a Collector, may use, agreeable to Chapter 18, Section 73 of the Public Statutes.

Art. 15. To determine what time tax bills shall be issued and taxes become due,

Art. 16. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as proposed and posted by the selectmen.

Art. 17. To act on any other matter that may come legally before said meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Meeting House and one at the Town Hall and one at the store of L. E. Libby, in said town seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of February 1901,
A. D.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON, } *Selectmen*
GEORGE H. GIBNEY, } *of*
GEORGE E. SAFFORD. } *Hamilton.*

Library Report.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND LIBRARIAN OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton :

The Trustees are glad to report that all departments of the Public Library have grown steadily during the past year. More bound volumes and magazines have been issued than in any previous year ; and the reading-room has attracted many patrons, so that sometimes it has been greatly overcrowded. In the near future the question will arise as to a larger reading-room : Harper's Weekly, Harper's Monthly, The Century, Scribner's, The Youth's Companion, The New England Magazine, The Review of Reviews, The Atlantic, McClure's, Munsey's, St. Nicholas, The Forester, Bird-Lore and Education have appeared on the reading-room tables, besides numerous other magazines and periodicals which have come as gifts. Several books of reference have been added, of general interest and have been used extensively by pupils and teachers of the public schools.

In buying new books great care has been exercised to select only such books as are well worth reading. The object has been, not to buy as many books as possible, but as good as possible. The Trustees have tried to satisfy the tastes of all classes of readers, and have provided books on a large variety of subjects. They have furnished a considerable number of volumes on matters of current interest, such as The Philippines, China, South Africa, Cuba, Expansion, Military and Naval affairs, Nature study, etc. These books have been placed upon the shelves of the reading room.

It is a matter of regret that nearly seven-eighths of the books issued have been fiction, notwithstanding the fact that almost all the fiction is first class. The books on general literature, poetry, history, economics, biography, travel, science and religion remain on the shelves unused. The Librarian has created a demand for such books, as well as for the older standard fiction, by placing them in a conspicuous place in the delivery-room, where they may be examined. The best part of the Library is still unused to a considerable extent.

The Librarian has continued the work on the card-catalogue ; and as soon as practicable will issue a bulletin of all the latest accessions.

The delivery station at the store of Mr. H. E. Andrews at South Hamilton, continues to be an important feature in the work of the Library, about fifty per cent. of the books issued going to that branch. The Trustees and the general public are greatly indebted to Mr. Andrews for his courtesy in this matter.

By courtesy of the Trustees of the General Theological Library in Boston, arrangements have been made, so that the Hamilton Public Library, in common with many other libraries of New England, has become a distributing branch. Any local clergyman may now receive for home study a limited number of volumes from the General Theological Library.

Before his death, the late Marshall K. Abbott made provision for a clock to be placed in the Town Hall. This substantial and beautiful gift has arrived, and is in its place in the reading-room of the Public Library. The Trustees are grateful to Mr. Thomas who has carried out the desire of his uncle, Mr. Abbott. A large book-case has also been received from the same source.

The Trustees are indebted to the following individuals for special gifts of books and magazines to the Library: Mrs. G. v. L. Meyer, Miss H. Meyer, Miss Sara R. Safford, The Knowlton Family through Mr. G. K. Knowlton, and Mr. C. O. Story of Essex.

The Trustees recommend the appropriation by the Town of three hundred dollars for the year 1901-1902.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

GIFTS.

	Bound volumes	Pamphlets and unbound volumes
Mrs. G. v. L. Meyer	82	27
Miss H. Meyer, parcel magazines		
S. R. Safford, parcel magazines		
The Knowlton family, through Mr. G. K. Knowlton	1	

	Bound volumes.	Pamphlets
C. O. Story	1	
M. L. Underwood	1	
E. C. Scranton		1
Hon. J. H. Choate		1
Proofs of Theosophy, anon.	1	
6th. Mass. U. S. V.	1	
1st. Reg. Mass. H. A.	1	
Public documents	12	
Mass. Audobon Society		3
Agricultural Society		1
Tabor Academy		1
Town of Topsfield		1
Chelsea Soldiers' Home		1
"Salvation," one year		12
Miscellaneous magazines and pamphlets		30

STATISTICS.

Total number of volumes	March 1, 1900	2,501
added		189
March 1, 1901		2,690
Number volumes of fiction issued		4,903
history and travel		147
biography		51
miscellaneous		243
Total number of bound volumes issued		5,344
magazines issued		689
bound volumes and magazines		6,033
Number of cards issued during year		81
since Library opened		944
Fines		\$4 70

GRACE C. STONE, Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, TREAS.,

In account with the Trustees of the Public Library of the Town of
Hamilton.

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1900.

March 1, balance on hand	\$164 26
Dec. 22, appropriation for Library	400 00

 \$564 26

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1900.

June 23, Cong. S. S. & Pub. Society, books	\$35 66
“ Mrs. Grace C. Stone, Librarian	25 00
“ J. A. Wilson, magazines	27 05
“ American Book Co., books	6 72
“ Charles A. King, printing, etc.	2 25
“ American Exp. Co., expressage	40
“ L. B. Moody, magazines	36
Sept. 20, Mrs. Grace C. Stone, Librarian	25 00
“ Edward L. Perley, binding books	19 70
“ Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books	9 52
Dec. 11, Mrs. Grace C. Stone, librarian	25 00
“ Cong. S. S. & Pub. Society, books	24 50
“ American Exp. Co., expressage	55

1901.

March 1, Mrs. Grace C. Stone, Librarian	25 00
“ Asa A. Jewett, transportation	20 80
“ Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books	6 83
“ Jesse G. Nichols, cash paid out	6 19
“ Cong. S. S. & Pub. Society, bal. on books	5 55
“ Treas. Am. Forestry Asso., “The Forester”	80
“ The MacMillan Co., “Bird Lore”	1 00
Balance in hands of Treas.	296 39

 \$564 26

E. & O. E.

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER,

Treas. of Trustees Public Library of the Town of Hamilton.

Hamilton, Mass., March 1, 1901.

JESSE G. NICHOLS,	} Trustees of Public Library.
AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER	
GEORGE v. L. MEYER,	

ANNUAL REPORT
— OF THE —
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
— OF THE —
TOWN OF HAMILTON
1900-1901



BEVERLY
THE FROST & WOOD PRESS
1901

School Committee's Report.

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Annual report of the School Committee of the Town of Hamilton, 1900-1901:

ORGANIZATION.

Geo. K. Knowlton, chairman,	Term expires 1901
Rev. Jesse G. Nichols, secretary,	" " 1903
Dr. Albert L. Whipple, purchasing agent,	" " 1902

Truant Officers—Alden J. Chandler, Daniel D. Stone.

REPORT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

(Closed Feb. 22, 1901.)

Amount appropriated by the town for schools	\$3,500 00
school supplies	500 00
Miscellaneous	500 00
Tuition, High School pupils	480 00
Transportation of scholars	350 00
Desks for South schoolhouse	150 00
Two basement porches, South schoolhouse	50 00
Trees and grading, South School yard	50 00
Sanitary improvements for ungraded schools	100 00

Town appropriation	\$5,680 00
Dog licenses	238 74
Mass. school fund	328 58

\$6,247 32

Paid for teachers	\$2,827 63
fuel	226 05
care of houses	417 50
text books and supplies	400 77
miscellaneous	244 59

\$4,116 54

ACCOUNT MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND.

Amount received		\$328 58
Paid teachers	\$304 83	
Paid for case of maps	23 75	
	<hr/>	\$328 58

PAID TEACHERS.

Miss Eliza H. Cushing	\$140 00	
" Adelaide A. Keith	456 00	
" Mary E. Batchelder	402 00	
" Lizzie E. Hadley	421 00	
" Nelly G. Cutting	370 00	
" Carrie E. Robie	370 00	
Mrs. Grace C. Stone	370 00	
Miss Effie M. Cheney	301 00	
" Eva C. Sanborn	81 00	
" Klara J. Olesson	66 60	
" Grace A. Knowlton	9 00	
Mrs. Bessie H. Dane	14 40	
Miss Annie J. Chase	10 00	
" Alice R. Power	26 00	
Mr. Arthur E. French	49 98	
Mrs. M. Eva Robinson	45 48	
	<hr/>	\$3,132 46

PAID FOR FUEL.

The Pickett Coal Co.	\$102 80	
J. C. Underhill	71 75	
Isaac D. Patch	22 50	
Isaac F. Knowlton	20 00	
Jonathan Lamson	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$226 05

PAID FOR CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSES.

Fred C. Shaller, South School	\$330 00
Sylvester Day, East "	13 00
E. A. Day, " "	6 50
Albert T. Hart	28 25
J. F. McGregor	18 75
C. E. Gwinn	21 00

\$417 50

PAID FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$292 79
Edward E. Babb & Co.	48 63
Thomas R. Shewell & Co.	26 80
Ginn & Co.	13 43
American Book Co.	9 92
Silver, Burdette & Co.	9 20

\$400 77

MISCELLANEOUS.

C. A. Peterson, repairs, stock and labor	\$45 80
J. F. Porter, " " " "	14 20
Frost & Wood, printing	1 50
Robert Robertson, sanitary repairs	4 25
Holmes & Sawyer, " "	1 75
O. F. Whipple, labor on school yard	1 30
S. Day, sanitary	3 50
Waters & Brown, hardware	18 55
B. F. Hill, "	2 00
F. C. Shaller, boiler room supplies	4 03
Paul B. Patten, " " "	5 50
A. C. Cummings, freight, carriage, etc.	28 81
American Express Co.	4 05

Amount carried forward

\$135 24

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$135 24
C. E. Day, expressage, school supplies	1 75
A. H. Jewett, " " "	6 15
C. E. Dame, printing	2 00
O. F. Brown, writing diplomas	1 00
A. A. Keith, graduation supplies	3 15
Daniel Pratt's Sons, clock	3 00
J. W. Hayes, cleaning clocks	4 80
A. C. Lunt, school room furniture	2 50
W. Crosby, school room supplies	75
Mrs. Lucy Channel, cleaning Centre schoolhouse	5 50
Geo. C. Ryerson, setting glass	5 00
S. C. Gould, school room supplies	7 09
M. E. Robinson, school room supplies	30
A. L. Whipple, purchasing agent	15 00
J. G. Nichols, extra expense on account of teachers	6 54
Geo. K. Knowlton, extra expense, on account of teachers, repairs, cash paid out	29 82
Geo. K. Knowlton, taking school census	10 00
Alden J. Chandler, services as truant officer	5 00

\$244 59

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Appropriation for tuition of High School pupils	\$480 00
Paid City of Beverly	\$440 00
Trustees Manning High School, Ipswich	40 00
Albert S. Whipple, for pupil in Salem High School	20 00
John McCaughn	20 00
Fannie S. Preston	20 00
Arthur C. Dane	20 00
Arthur W. Chandler	20 00

\$580 00

Amount overdrawn

\$100 00

The above amount of \$100.00 overdrawn, to pay six months tuition to Feb. 1, 1901 for scholars attending Salem High school should not have been paid till after the appropriation is made at the next Annual Town Meeting.

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS.

Paid B. & M. R. R. Co.	\$232 70	
Lynn & Boston R. R. Co.	136 00	
Jonathan Lamson	1 80	
Henry T. Rogers	1 50	
John J. Hinckley	2 12	
George A. Dodge	68	
Albert L. Whipple	11 00	
John McCaughn	11 00	
Fannie S. Preston	11 00	
Arthur C. Dane	11 00	
Arthur W. Chandler	9 00	
Geo. K. Knowlton, paid for scholars	8 28	
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		\$436 08

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation		\$350 00
Paid Chandler Desk Co., desks for South school	\$153 80	
W. B. Badger, teachers desk, South school	14 85	
C. A. Peterson, 2 basement porches, 8 sanitary porches, ungraded schools	90 00	
C. E. Whipple, grading South school yard	44 00	
B. W. Adams, setting and care of trees, South school	20 00	
	20 10	
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		\$342 75
Balance unexpended		<hr/>
		\$7 25

GROSS RECEIPTS FOR ALL SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Appropriation for schools	\$4,500 00
Special appropriation	350 00
Tuition, High School pupils	480 00
Transportation of scholars	350 00
Dog licenses	238 74
Mass. School fund	328 58
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	\$6,247 32

GROSS EXPENSE FOR ALL SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Paid for teachers	\$3,132 46
fuel	226 05
care of houses	417 50
school supplies	400 77
miscellaneous	244 59
tuition, High school scholars	580 00
transportation of scholars	436 08
special appropriation work	342 75
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	\$5,780 20
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Balance unexpended	\$467 12

PUPILS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL.

The committee arranged with the City of Beverly to take our pupils for the High School course, at forty dollars a year, payable at the close of the school year in June.

This arrangement enables the committee to know just how much money it will be necessary to appropriate at the Annual Town Meeting for tuition.

The Town of Ipswich is willing to take our pupils on the same terms and in some cases, for sufficient reason, they are allowed to attend that school.

We have no account with any other city or town, and those who wish to attend elsewhere are allowed the same amount for tuition and transportation that it costs us for pupils to Beverly; the

amount to be paid directly to the parent or guardian on the same conditions that we pay Beverly. The amount for tuition may be paid any time after the appropriation has been made at the Annual Town Meeting, providing all requirements for sending pupils to High School have been complied with.

BEVERLY.

Samuel Robinson, entered Sept. 1897, tuition one year, to July 1, 1901	\$40 00
S. Groves Smith, entered Sept. 1897, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Annie McGlaulin, entered Sept. 1898, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Mary A. Southwick, entered Sept. 1898, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Gertrude K. Weston, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1900	40 00
Laura Dodge, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Sarah A. Dodge, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Sarah J. Hinckley, entered Sept 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Judson S. Bradstreet, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Paul R. Smith, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Bernice J. Andrews, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Hazel E. Weston, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to 1901	40 00
Helen H. Dodge, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Clara E. Chandler, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Blanche C. Ferguson, entered Sept. 1900 tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00

Lillian A. McGlaulin, entered Sept. 1900	
tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Sylvia Robinson, entered Sept. 1900, tuition	
one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Douglas H. Knowlton, entered Sept. 1900	
tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Clarence P. Day, entered Sept. 1898, tuition	
one-half year to Feb. 1, 1901,	20 00
Mary A. Bradstreet, entered Sept. 1900 tui-	
tion one-half year to Feb. 1, 1901	20 00
Mary A. Merrill, entered Sept. 1900, tuition	
one-half year to Feb. 1, 1901	20 00

\$780 00

IPSWICH.

Maud L. Smith, entered Sept. 1899, tuition	
one year to July 1, 1901	40 00
Catherine B. Hinckley, entered Sept. 1900	
tuition one year to July 1, 1901	40 00

\$80 00

SALEM.

Gertrude G. Chandler,	Mattie W. Dane,
Olive L. Whipple,	Louisa S. Preston,
Henrietta F. Andrews.	

ALLOWED FOR PUPILS ATTENDING SALEM HIGH SCHOOL.

Albert L. Whipple, one-half year to July 1,	
1901	\$20 00
John McCaughn, one-half year to July 1, 1901	20 00
Fannie S. Preston, one-half year to July 1, 1901	20 00
Arthur C. Dane, one-half year to July 1, 1901	20 00
Arthur W. Chandler, one-half year to July	
1, 1901	20 00

\$100 00

ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOLS.

Following is an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed for all public school purposes for the year 1901-2.

Amount for teachers, janitors and fuel	\$4,000 00
text books and school supplies	500 00
miscellaneous	300 00
tuition High School pupils	960 00
transportation of scholars	600 00
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	\$6,360 00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION.

The committee recommend an appropriation for a thorough repair of the East school- room	\$300 00
For painting North schoolhouse	50 00
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	\$350 00

INSURANCE.

The insurance on four ungraded schoolhouses expires May 12, 1901.

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

To the school committee of Hamilton:

Gentlemen:—I have attended to my duty as truant officer, having been called to notify parents several times in regard to sending their children to school, and have looked after some scholars in the matter of attendance,

Respectfully yours,

ALDEN J. CHANDLER.

Hamilton, Feb. 18, 1901.

To the school committee of Hamilton:

Gentlemen:—I have not had any occasion to exercise any material official duty as truant officer.

Respectfully yours,

DANIEL D. STONE.

Hamilton, Feb. 18, 1901.

 SCHOOL CENSUS.

Whole number of children in town between

5 and 15 years of age, September 1,

1900, Boys 124

Girls 130

 254

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1900-1901.

FALL TERM, 1900	WINTER TERM	SPRING TERM
	1900-1901	1901
Opens Sept. 4	Opens Dec. 3	Opens March 25
Closes Nov. 23	Closes March 15	Closes June 14
12 Weeks	14 Weeks	12 Weeks

Length of the School Year 38 Weeks

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ROLL OF HONOR.

Perfect in attendance one term.

SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Pauline Chandler, Annie F. Cummings, Vesta A. Emerson, Viola L. Striley, Christie M. Hall, Justin A. Fitz, Thomas S. Jones, Charles J. Wright, George R. Clarke.

SOUTH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

Ella W. Chandler, Mary E. Shaller, Florence R. Shaller, Grace G. Blake, Chester B. Gibney, William R. Chandler, Arthur M. Cummings.

CENTRE SCHOOL—Rudolph H. Haraden.

EAST SCHOOL.

Elizabeth M. Babcock, Martha W. Dodge, Hattie L. Doucett, Ernest S. Berry, Frank P. Day.

WEST SCHOOL.

Albert T. Hart, Annie M. Hart, Nellie Hart, Kate K. Hart, Francis Hart, Elizaoeth W. Carroll, Alden L. Southwick, James A. Young.

The school year of 1899-1900 closed June 15, the table shows statistical conditions of the several schools :

The progress made in all the schools during the year was quite satisfactory although it is impossible for any teacher to obtain quite as good results from her work in an ungraded as in a graded school, and the committee has to take this into account in making up the work of the year.

Of our four ungraded schools, the East school has been in charge of Miss Nelly G. Cutting the entire year.

Miss Cutting came to her school with several years' experience in teaching, she has been very successful, working with unceasing interest for the advancement of all her pupils.

In the West school Miss Carrie E. Robie succeeded Miss Symonds. Miss Robie has worked faithfully during the year, and although sometimes under adverse conditions as to the make up of her school, she has succeeded well in her work and the committee has only words of commendation for her and her school.

Miss Eliza H. Cushing was teacher of the North school during the year. The school made fairly good progress under the very anxious administration of the teacher. But it did not come quite up to her reasonable expectations.

The committee knew it was no fault of hers and understood about what the school was able to accomplish in the year. Unfortunately in the closing term a fire occurred in the school room making it necessary to remove the school to a private house. This seriously interfered with the best showing of the school at its close.

The Centre school was in the care of Miss Harriet M. Cutler during the first term at the close of which a change was made and Mrs. Grace C. Stone was placed in charge for the rest of the year. Mrs. Stone had previously taught several years in one of our schools and was able to take up the work in a satisfactory manner, so that the school did not suffer as much from a change of teachers at this time as it otherwise might have done.

The South school opened with the following teachers: grammar, Miss A. A. Keith; intermediate, Miss M. E. Batchelder, transferred from the East school; primary, Miss L. E. Hadley.

These teachers had done excellent work the previous year and it was expected that they would be fully as successful the present year. But it was found during the early part of the year that in order to obtain the best results it would be necessary to open a fourth school, especially as the primary department was full to overflowing. At the Annual Town Meeting in March the committee asked for an appropriation of \$150 to seat the unoccupied room in the South school building.

The appropriation was granted and the room was made ready as soon as possible.

On Monday, April 16, the intermediate school was removed to the new room up stairs; the second primary was opened in the room vacated by the intermediate school, and was made up of grade 4 of the intermediate and grade 3 of the primary, Miss Hadley being placed in charge of the second primary and Miss Effie M. Cheney was engaged to take the first primary.

The subsequent progress made in the schools has proved the wisdom of opening a fourth school.

The committee was well satisfied with the condition of all the South schools at their closing in June, and congratulate both teachers and scholars in their successful work.

It is always a pleasure to speak of the work of the grammar school which has been in charge of Miss Keith several years. Not only does the committee appreciate her valuable services, but those who come in contact with her pupils that pass on to higher studies recognize her superior teaching qualities.

The past year has shown no diminution of her success, and in order that the work of our highest grade school might be shown to the best advantage the committee decided to have the graduation exercises in Town Hall. A chorus was selected from the several schools to assist in the exercises.

Following is the programme :

Programme.

March,	Miss Effie M. Cheney
Invocation,	Rev. J. G. Nichols.
Salute to the Flag,	School
Chorus, "Old Glory"	
Recitation, "The Petrified Fern"	
Chorus, "O Spirit of the Summer Time"	
Recitation, "Union and Liberty"	School
Duet, "The Golden Star Galop"	{ Elsie Peterson { Mildred Gwinna
Essay, "Daniel Webster"	Bernice J. Andrews.
Chorus, "The Bees and the Flowers"	
Recitation, "The Launching of the Ship"	Graduating Class.
Song, "A New American Hymn"	
Essay, "Great Moments in Our History"	Sylvia Robinson
Address, "Economy in the Management of Schools"	Mr. Adelbert L. Safford.
Presentation of Diplomas,	Chairman School Committee.
Chorus, "America"	

Benediction.

NAMES OF GRADUATES.

Bernice Josephine Andrews	Mary Alice Bradstreet
Clara Elizabeth Chandler	Helen Hamilton Dodge
Blanche Cynthia Ferguson	Mildred Helen Gwinn
Catherine Belle Hinckley	Douglas Holland Knowlton
Lillian Audrey McGlaulin	Mary Alice Merrill
Sylvia Robinson	Hazel Elizabeth Weston

ROLL OF HONOR.

Bernice Josephine Andrews	Mary Alice Bradstreet
Sylvia Robinson	Mary Alice Merrill
Hazel Elizabeth Weston	Lillian Audrey McGlaulin

In the musical department of our schools, the teacher Mr. Arthur E. French, has done excellent work during the year. In all the schools there are some pupils who have more or less talent for music, and these have made marked progress, then there are those who at first looked unfavorably on any proposition for them to learn to sing, but whonow find themselves doing fairly well.

The elevating and refining power of music in the school room is one of the best accessories that can be introduced as it there always inspires to the highest good.

The record for the school year of 1899-1900 has been written for all time. All our teachers have shown commendable enthusiasm in their work; the scholars have applied themselves in varying degrees of faithfulness, but all has been done under environment from which there is no escape in this life. When we come to the close of the school year we say we wish more had been accomplished than is apparent. But after all, we know not what the fruitage may be of the young lives that we have been moulding during all the precious moments that we have had them in our care. The responsibility is great; we can only strive to do our best and rest the matter there.

During the summer vacation the work provided for by special appropriation was completed; two basement porches were put on the South school house, some grading of the schoof yard was done, and thirty maple trees were set out.

Eight storm porches were put on the closets of the four ungraded schoolhouses and are a valuable addition.

The schools of the present year which begun the 4th of last September and will close the 14th of next June, were opened with the following teachers: South school—grammar, Miss Adelaide A. Keith; intermediate, Miss Mary E. Batchelder; second primary, Miss Lizzie E. Hadley; first primary, Miss Effie M. Cheney.

Centre school—Miss Eva C. Sanborn. East—Miss Nelly G. Cutting. West—Miss Carrie E. Robie. North—Mrs. Grace C. Stone, transferred from Centre school.

Mr. Arthur E. French, teacher of music, having secured a position in Auburndale decided not to return to us another year. At the close of the fall term Mrs. M. Eva Robinson was engaged as teacher of music and entered upon her work at the opening of the winter term.

Mr. Fred C. Shaller, who has been so faithful in all his work as janitor of the South schoolhouse since it was built, was engaged for the school year.

The schools at the present time are all doing good work, and a satisfactory showing should be made in the next school report when it is presented to the citizens in 1902.

Our Town enters the twentieth century in a transition period. Within the last decade its population and consequently its schools have nearly doubled. We are increasing in wealth and have sufficient means for the education of our children.

But as in all business, constant care and good judgment are required for the successful management of the schools and for a wise expenditure of the school appropriation.

It is not enough to run the schools a certain number of weeks in the year; there must be a careful and wise selection of teachers adapted to the grades of work for which they are needed and this is often a difficult thing to do.

Good teachers are not idly walking the streets waiting for some chance situation, but poor ones may be obtained at any time. Then wide-awake superintendents of the larger cities and towns are con-

stantly on the lookout for good teachers, and being able to pay a larger salary, and to offer better opportunity for promotion they frequently succeed in taking the best ones away from the smaller towns.

The committee believes in paying our teachers the maximum market price for the services which they are expected to render, and we do not want any teacher who is not fully worth the price that we pay.

We furnish the schools with everything necessary for use, so that if in any case there is inefficient work done it cannot be excused on account of deficient educational material.

On the other hand, in these days of rapid educational advancement, it requires wise discrimination to know what to admit and what to exclude from the schoolroom. A multitude of educational publishers are crying their wares, and new fads are constantly being placed on the market. Not only committee but superintendent and teachers are importuned to try this, that and the other new thing.

The continuance of a good teacher who has knowledge of the varying intellectual power of her pupils; of their environments, and also of the methods required by the superintendent or committee in teaching, is of more value than is generally recognized.

While much is to be excluded from the public schools those in charge should keep well up with educational progress and endeavor to select for all departments of school work only that which has intrinsic merit.

In order to promote the best interests of our schools collectively, teachers' meetings are frequently held.

Here the interchange of thought in the daily experiences of the school room has a practical value to every teacher. A certain portion of time the present year is also given to the study of "Psychology in the School-Room."

By reference to the amount of the appropriation called for to pay the tuition of High School pupils that will be due for the present year ending next June, it will be seen that the amount is rapidly increasing.

Under a State law, every high High School is compelled to give at least an English course of four years, so that at present a larger

number of scholars are entering than are being graduated each year and this will probably continue yet a few years.

But unless we shall continue to increase materially in population we shall in a few years come to an approximate equilibrium.

The school buildings are all in good condition except the east school house, which needs material change inside, and the north school house should be painted outside.

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